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SIW-016RCEApplication No.
09/982,587-Conf. #7569Filing Date
October 17, 2001Examiner
M. RuthkoskyArt Unit
1745Applicant(s): Yosuke FUJII *et al.*Invention: A FUEL CELL SEPARATOR HAVING A CHANNEL FORMED USING A SEALING MEMBER
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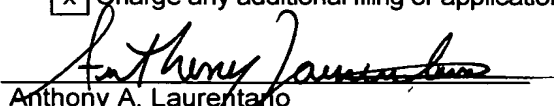
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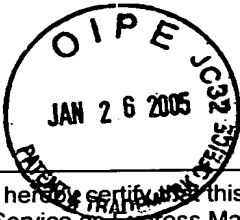
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		First Named Inventor	Yosuke FUJII
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<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27		Attorney Docket No.	SIW-016RCE
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FEE CALCULATION							
1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES							
Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	
2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES							
Fee Description							Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)							50
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)							200
Multiple dependent claims							360
Total Claims		Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Multiple Dependent Claims		
<u>21</u>		<u>- 21 =</u>	<u>x</u>	<u>0</u>	Fee (\$)		Fee Paid (\$)
Indep. Claims		Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)			
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3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE							
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4. OTHER FEE(S)							
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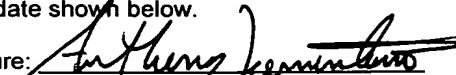
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Examiner: M. Ruthkosky

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated August 26, 2004 (Paper No. 04082404), the response period of which is extended to January 26, 2005 by the accompanying Request for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.